

AT AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY, VIRGINIA HELD ON THE 26th DAY OF JULY, 2010 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE BOARD CHAMBERS, MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 755 ROANOKE STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA:

PRESENT:	Annette S. Perkins	-Chair
	James D. Politis	-Vice Chair
	Mary W. Biggs	-Supervisors
	William H. Brown	
	Gary D. Creed	
	Doug Marrs	
	F. Craig Meadows	-County Administrator
	L. Carol Edmonds	-Assistant County Administrator
	Martin M. McMahon	-County Attorney
	Steve Sandy	-Planning Director
	Ruth L. Richey	-Public Information Officer
	Mitchell Haugh	-Parks and Recreation Director
	Chris Slusher	-Parks and Recreation Athletics Supervisor
	Vickie L. Swinney	-Secretary, Board of Supervisors
ABSENT:	John A. Muffo	-Supervisors

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

INTO CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby enters into Closed Meeting for the purpose of discussing the following:

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| Section 2.2-3711 | (1) | Discussion, Consideration or Interviews of Prospective Candidates for Employment; Assignment, Appointment, Promotion, Performance, Demotion, Salaries, Disciplining or Resignation of Specific Officers, Appointees or Employees of Any Public Body |
| | | 1. Board of Equalization |
| | | 2. County Administrator's Annual Review |

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Gary D. Creed	None	John A. Muffo
William H. Brown		
James D. Politis		
Mary W. Biggs		
Doug Marrs		
Annette S. Perkins		

OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by James D. Politis and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors ends their Closed Meeting to return to Regular Session.

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
William H. Brown	None	John A. Muffo
James D. Politis		
Mary W. Biggs		
Doug Marrs		
Gary D. Creed		
Annette S. Perkins		

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County has convened a Closed Meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board that such Closed Meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby certifies that to the best of each member's knowledge (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion conveying the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Board.

VOTE

AYES

James D. Politis
Mary W. Biggs
Doug Marrs
Gary D. Creed
William H. Brown
Annette S. Perkins

NAYS

None

ABSENT DURING VOTE

John A. Muffo

ABSENT DURING MEETING

John A. Muffo

INVOCATION

A moment of silence was lead by the Chair.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PRESENTATION

Montgomery County All-Stars Softball Team

The Board of Supervisors presented certificates of recognition to the 2010 Montgomery County Ponytails All-Star team, District 3 tournament champions. The 2010 Dixie Ponytails (11-12 age group) All-Star District Tournament was held at Motor Mile Park from Friday, June 25 through Monday, June 28, 2010 and hosted by Montgomery County Parks & Recreation. The Montgomery County Ponytails All-Star team advanced to the Virginia Dixie Softball State Tournament.

Chair Perkins presented individual certificates to the players and coaches. The 2010 Montgomery County Ponytails All-Star team consists of the following players: Kayla Altizer, Olivia Boyd, Justyna Brown, Marissa Ehrhardt, Meghan Epperly, Brittany Huff, Katie Marshall, Kylie Naughton, Haley Sale, Paige Saville, Rachael Smoot, and Andrea Tiller. The team coaches are Head Coach Phillip Marshall, J.D. Boyd, Tony Huff and Tim Smoot.

Chair Perkins also presented Chris Slusher, Montgomery County Athletics Supervisors, with a certificate of recognition for his dedication and services to the athletic department.

PUBLIC HEARING

An Ordinance Amending the Fee Schedule for Planning & Zoning

An Ordinance amending the Fee Schedule for planning and zoning activities by decreasing the application fees to file an appeal of the zoning administrator decision from \$425 to \$250 in order to comply with the recent amendment to Section 15.2-2311 of the Code of Virginia.

The County Attorney provided a brief summary. Due to the recent amendments to the Virginia State Code the County's application fees for citizens to file an appeal of the Zoning Administrator's decision is being decreased. The amendment to the State Code state that "*The fee for filing an appeal shall not exceed the costs of advertising the appeal for public hearing and reasonable costs.*" The County Attorney explained that this amendment was considered by the General Assembly to keep localities from imposing an extraordinary fee to appeal. He believes Montgomery County's fee is reasonable; however, to comply with the recent changes to the State Code he is recommending that the fee be decreased from \$425 to \$250.

Board members asked if there are a considerable number of appeals in Montgomery County. The County Attorney stated the County may receive 1-2 appeals each year.

There being no speakers, the public hearing was closed.

PUBLIC ADDRESS

There being no speakers, the public address session was closed.

INTO WORK SESSION

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Mary W. Biggs and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors hereby enters into Work Session for the purpose of discussing the following:

1. School Request for Capital/Bond Funding for Blacksburg High School

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Mary W. Biggs	None	John A. Muffo
Doug Marrs		
Gary D. Creed		
William H. Brown		
James D. Politis		
Annette S. Perkins		

School Request for Capital/Bond Funding for Blacksburg High School

County Administrator Craig Meadows reported the School Board sent a letter of request dated July 6, 2010 to use up to \$2.5 million of capital project funds or bond funds to be used to address the transition for a temporary Blacksburg High School, a temporary Blacksburg Middle School, and transition of administrative offices from the Old Christiansburg Middle School. Preliminary cost estimates include:

Estimated Capital Costs	\$1,355,850
Estimated Operating Costs	\$ 748,680
Total	\$2,104,530

Budget Plan for New BMS & New BHS

Operationg Expenses	
Mobile Classrooms (14) BMS	\$ 345,240
Moving Costs	\$ 45,000
Supplements & Overtime	\$ 160,000
Mobile Classrooms (2) BHS	\$ 37,200
Lease Space for Robotics	\$ 16,580
Lease Space for ISS	\$ 12,000
Utilities for lease space	\$ 24,000
Miscellaneous	\$ 108,660
Subtotal	\$ 748,680
Capital Expenses New BMS	
Painting	\$ 182,450
Student Lockers (200)	\$ 70,000
P.E. Lockers & Benches	\$ 14,750
Repair Kitchen	\$ 75,000
Classroom Furniture	\$ 150,000
Science Equipment	\$ 25,000
Parking Lots	\$ 50,000
Road Repair	\$ 40,000
Parent Drop Off Road	\$ 40,000
Roof Repair	\$ 70,000
Replace Gym Floor	\$ 84,950
Replace Bleachers	\$ 48,000
Computers & File Servers	\$ 50,000
Phone System	\$ 25,000
Fire Alarms	\$ 18,700
Replace Doors & Hardware	\$ 25,000
Add Air Conditioning	\$ 182,000
Subtotal	\$ 1,150,850
Capital Expenses New BHS	
Furniture	\$ 5,000
Science Upgrades	\$ 25,000
Pave Parking Lot	\$ 175,000
Subtotal	\$ 205,000
Grand Total	\$ 2,104,530

July 6, 2010

Mr. F. Craig Meadows
County Administrator
County of Montgomery
755 Roanoke Street, Suite 2E
Christiansburg, VA 24073-3179

RE: Request for Use of Capital/Bond Funds for Temporary Blacksburg High School

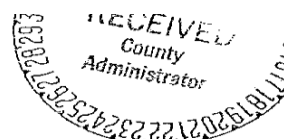
The School Board requests that up to \$2,500,000 of capital project or bond funds be appropriated to be used for a temporary school for Blacksburg High School. The gymnasium at Blacksburg High School collapsed on February 13, 2010. Inspection and analysis of the remaining BHS building indicates there are conditions in the BHS building that must be corrected before students may use the building. These deficiencies cannot be repaired by the start of the 2010-2011 school year. An alternate location is required for students to attend school. The options and possible locations will require modifications to existing buildings, adding temporary classrooms, and changes to sites for traffic and parking. Funds for these items are not available in the School Board's operating budget. The exact cost of options is not available as the design, specifications, and procurement will require the use of an expeditious process for the work to be accomplished as quickly as possible.

There is about \$7.5 million in the bond accounts from the first phase of borrowing that included the two new elementary schools. This balance will not be required for the completion of the elementary projects and was to be added to an additional bond issue to be used for the next projects on the capital list. In addition, funds will be received from the VACO insurance company for the replacement of the BHS gym. The amount of the payment and when it will be received is still under review. In the meantime, a source of funding is required in order to prepare classroom space for 1,117 students that will be displaced from Blacksburg High School. The current split schedule at Blacksburg Middle School cannot be sustained for the 2010-2011 school year.

We know you are aware of the impact of not being able to use Blacksburg High School and have been supportive as the School Board works through this situation. Again, we thank you for your support as we continue to provide educational opportunities for the students impacted by the loss of use of Blacksburg High School

Sincerely,

Brenda Blackburn
Brenda Blackburn
Superintendent



The County Administrator provided the following options to the request:

OPTIONS TO CONSIDER RELATED TO TRANSITION REQUEST:

1. Use \$2.5 million in Operating Fund Surplus for the Transition Project. (This alternative would leave less than \$30,000 for other school carry forward requests.)
2. Use \$1.6 million from the Operating Fund Surplus for the Transition Project and \$900,000 from the Capital Bond Funds. (This alternative would leave \$900,000 for other school carry forward requests.)
3. Use \$1 million from the Operating Fund Surplus for the Transition Project and \$1.5 million from the Capital Bond Funds. (This alternative would leave \$1.5 million for other school carry forward requests.)
4. Use \$800,000 from the Operating Fund Surplus for the Transition Project and \$1.7 million from the Capital Bond Funds. (This alternative would leave \$1.7 million for other school carry forward requests.)

The County Administrator reported there is an estimated school capital bond fund surplus of \$10 million from the Prices Fork Elementary School and Eastern Montgomery Elementary School projects. It is also estimated that the Schools will have a \$2,528,727 surplus at year end. He also stated that the Board of Supervisors in April 2010 advanced \$500,000 from the Prices Fork Elementary School project to cover costs associated with the engineering analysis for the Blacksburg High School. The County Administrator pointed out that the request for operating costs of \$748,680 cannot be charged to the bond account. This amount will have to be used from the School's Operating Fund Surplus.

Walt Shannon, Assistant Superintendent of School Operations, provided additional information. Mr. Shannon stated that the \$500,000 advance was to cover the costs for the design of a new gym. The design work was stopped after the safety report was received on the Blacksburg High School facility. They are still in the process of working with the insurance company to receive final settlement for the gym replacement.

Mr. Shannon stated that funds are needed to cover the costs of the transition of the Blacksburg High School students to the Blacksburg Middle School and the transition of the Blacksburg Middle School students to the old Christiansburg Middle School facility. There is also the need to lease mobile units to be placed at the old Christiansburg Middle School site in order to accommodate expanding this site for 883 students.

The School system was expecting a \$3 million shortfall in FY 10 due to the state budget cuts; however, with a freeze on discretionary spending and a freeze on capital spending for buses, furniture & fixtures, and other items, a surplus in operating funds is expected.

Mr. Shannon stated that there is a need to continue the school bus replacement program. They currently have fourteen (14) buses that are over 10 years old and over 150,000 miles. They usually purchase 10-12 new buses each year with the exception of the past year due to the budget cuts; therefore, there is a need to purchase buses this year to replace the higher mileage vehicles. In addition they will be transporting children from Blacksburg to Christiansburg which will increase the mileages on the buses even more. Need additional support for transportation and administration budget this year.

The School budget has been reduced due to state budget cuts by \$8-10 million in FY 10 and \$9 million in FY 11. The School system is willing to compromise and request the Board of Supervisors to consider the County Administrator's option #3 that would use \$1 million of the operating fund surplus for the transition projects and \$1.5 million from the Capital Bond Funds. This would leave \$1.5 million to carryover for school use.

Brenda Blackburn, School Superintendent, addressed the Board of Supervisors regarding school educational issues. Ms. Blackburn stated she has visited all the schools located in Montgomery County and was delighted at many of the things she saw but was also dismayed at the vast

disparity amongst the students' access to technology. Some schools in the County have enhanced technology while others do not. Ms. Blackburn stated this is a digital world and she believes the schools need to provide the proper technology tools for the teachers and students.

She believes a technology initiative needs to be implemented in order to install the proper technology in all classrooms in order to make all schools an even playing field. Ms. Blackburn stated \$.5 million is just a drop in the bucket in trying to upgrade/replace technology equipment.

Ms. Blackburn stated there is also a need for new school buses along with new technology and asked the Board of Supervisors to consider approving a carryover of \$1.5 million to use for instruction/operating costs, school buses and technology.

The Board of Supervisors at this time discussed the School Board's request.

Supervisor Creed asked why the assessment on the Blacksburg High School was stopped. He stated he does not understand the parameter of the insurance company and what they are responsible for.

Mr. Shannon replied that the insurance company will cover only the collapse of the gym roof and will not cover any repair to the classroom building as any repairs were not a result of the collapse of the gym. The issue with the classroom building is not a result of the gym roof collapse but with the construction of the facility. There is no insurance to cover the cost of the main portion of the building due to faulty construction.

Supervisor Creed also questioned the \$13 million bond issuance to be voted on tonight. Of the \$5 million to be used for the School Energy Performance Contract, how much of the \$5 million was allocated for Blacksburg High School? Mr. Shannon stated there was a portion designed to go to BHS; however, the funding will go toward another school project. He does not recall right off hand what the BHS energy projects were.

Supervisor Marrs asked for clarification regarding the state budget cuts to education. He recalls the education funding was reduced in FY 10 and FY11, and asked if it will be reduced in the upcoming year. Ms. Blackburn stated there is always a possibility of additional cuts and it will depend on the economy. Mr. Marrs stated then the School Board would come back to the Board of Supervisors requesting more money again to cover the cost of budget cuts. Ms. Blackburn stated yes there is the possibility.

Supervisor Biggs commented that she has received several questions by citizens that need clarification, as follows:

- Is the insurance company going to pursue legal action against the construction contractor and the inspector?

Ms. Blackburn replied that the insurance company is only concerned with the gym roof collapse, not the main classroom building. She believes that the insurance company will actively pursue any legal recourse; however, the construction company that constructed the high school facility is no longer in business. Mr. Shannon also stated there is a limitation of 5 years from the date of occupancy to pursue any legal recourse per the Code of Virginia.

- Has the School Board contacted the County's state legislators and Congressman Boucher for monies that may be available? Especially since the state seems to have surplus monies now.

Mr. Shannon replied they have talked to Delegate Dave Nutter and Delegate Jim Shuler and both have addressed several issues. Montgomery County does not qualify for rural development funds for the Blacksburg High School and they do not qualify for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funds. Montgomery County was not declared a state of emergency on the date the gym roof collapsed.

Supervisor Biggs also stated that she agrees with the comments made by Superintendent Blackburn regarding the disparity of technology in the schools. Her classroom only has 3 computers and just this year received a white board. There are only a few smart boards in her entire school. The newer schools have smart boards in every classroom which shows the disparity among the schools.

Supervisor Biggs believes that it is an embarrassment for Montgomery County who has Virginia Tech, Radford University and New River Community College in the New River Valley. There are student teachers who come into the schools who have been exposed to the technology that is available and are amazed at the lack of computers and technology in the classrooms. Supervisor Biggs stated she can testify to Ms. Blackburn's comments that there is vast disparity in technology within Montgomery County schools. She supports using school carry forward funds toward upgrading technology in the schools.

Supervisor Biggs also believes there is a great need for new school buses. Due to the new schedule of transporting Blacksburg children to Christiansburg there will be longer times on the bus.

Chair Perkins commented that some children will be on the buses longer due to the longer route to Christiansburg. She believes children transported from the Mt. Tabor area will be on the bus for one hour each way.

Mr. Shannon replied that there are several routes that are an hour long in the Mt. Tabor area and the McCoy area. He also stated that there are children in other parts of the County (Pilot and Shawsville) who already have long bus rides.

Supervisor Brown asked the school representatives, of the four options submitted to the Board of Supervisors, which option does the school recommend? Mr. Shannon implied the School system could use the entire \$2.5 million in surplus funding; however they would support Option 3 or 4.

Supervisor Creed asked, once the \$500,000 advance loan is paid back from the insurance money, will there be enough money remaining to build a new gym. Mr. Shannon stated that there will not be enough money from the insurance money to build a new gym. The insurance company will only pay to construct just the gym building, not the foundation. After inspection of the gym it was determined that to build a new gym a new foundation is needed. The replacement cost of a new gym includes the cost of replacing the foundation.

Supervisor Perkins commented she is getting questions from citizens regarding the school construction issues and believes there is a lot of misinformation and rumors going around. She asked if the Christiansburg High School was built by the same construction contractor. Mr. Shannon replied the Christiansburg High School had the same architect but a different building contractor. He went on to say that Christiansburg High School along, with all the other schools in the County, were inspected after the Blacksburg High School gym collapsed to determine if they were similar to the Blacksburg High School facility.

The County Administrator reported that a draft resolution was prepared on the school funding request should the Board decide to take action on the issue tonight.

The Board agreed to add a New Business to their agenda in order to take action on the school's request. They also agreed that Option 3 -Use \$1 million from the Operating Fund Surplus for the Transition Project and \$1.5 million from the Capital Bond Funds, is a good compromise that would leave \$1.5 million for other school requests.

OUT OF WORK SESSION

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Gary D. Creed and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors ends their Work Session to return to Regular Session.

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Doug Marrs	None	John A. Muffo
Gary D. Creed		
William H. Brown		
James D. Politis		
Mary W. Biggs		
Annette S. Perkins		

ADD TO THE AGENDA – NEW BUSINESS

On a motion by James D. Politis, seconded by William H. Brown and carried unanimously, the following addendum dated July 26, 2010 was added to the agenda under New Business:

A. School Board Request for use of Bond Funds for a Temporary Blacksburg High School

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
William H. Brown	None	John A. Muffo
James D. Politis		
Mary W. Biggs		
Doug Marrs		
Gary D. Creed		
Annette S. Perkins		

CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by James D. Politis and carried unanimously, the Consent Agenda dated July 26, 2010 was approved.

The vote on the foregoing motion was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Gary D. Creed	None	John A. Muffo
William H. Brown		
James D. Politis		
Mary W. Biggs		
Doug Marrs		
Annette S. Perkins		

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by James D. Politis and carried unanimously, the minutes dated April 26, 2010 were approved.

Appropriations and Transfers

A-FY-11-15 COUNTY ATTORNEY TRANSFER FROM GENERAL CONTINGENCES

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by James D. Politis and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that a transfer of appropriation is hereby authorized, as follows:

FROM:

950 General Contingencies (\$20,000)

TO:

120 County Attorney \$20,000

Said resolution transfers funds from General Contingencies to the County Attorney to cover the cost of professional services.

**A-FY-11-16
COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY
FORFEITED ASSET SHARING PROGRAM**

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by James D. Politis and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the General Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, for the function and in the amount as follows:

200 Commonwealth's Attorney \$817

The source of the funds for the foregoing appropriation is as follows:

Revenue Account

419104 Confiscations \$817

Said resolution appropriates monies received as part of the Forfeited Asset Sharing Program from the Department of Criminal Justice Services.

**A-FY-11-17
SCHOOL CAPITAL PROJECTS
BOND PROCEEDS APPROPRIATION**

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by James D. Politis and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the School Capital Projects Fund was granted an appropriation in addition to the annual appropriation for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011, for the function and in the amount as follows:

Eastern Montgomery Elementary School	\$ 134,335
Price's Fork Elementary School	\$ 7,500,000
Green Energy Projects	\$ 5,500,000
Issuance Costs	<u>\$ 235,665</u>
Total	\$13,370,000

The source of the funds for the foregoing appropriation is as follows:

Revenue Account

19-413303 Bond Proceeds – Qualified School Construction Bonds \$13,370,000

Said resolution appropriates the bond proceeds from the Qualified School Construction Bond issuance for a portion of the construction of Eastern Montgomery Elementary School, for a portion of the construction of the Price's Fork Elementary School, Green Energy Performance Projects, and the cost of issuance.

**R-FY-11-09
RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT
OF THE NEW RIVER VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES
FY 2011 PERFORMANCE CONTRACT**

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by James D. Politis and carried unanimously,

BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia acknowledges receipt of the New River Valley Community Services Performance Contract for Fiscal Year 2011.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors makes no comment regarding the performance contract for the New River Valley Community Services for Fiscal Year 2011.

NEW BUSINESS

R-FY-11-08 SCHOOL BOARD REQUEST FOR USE OF BOND FUNDS FOR A TEMPORARY BLACKSBURG HIGH SCHOOL (BHS)

On a motion by Mary W. Biggs, seconded by James D. Politis and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, The gymnasium at Blacksburg High School (BHS) collapsed on February 13, 2010, and engineering analysis indicates conditions in the remaining building require correction before student reuse; and

WHEREAS, The alternate location for BHS, at the Blacksburg Middle School (BMS), requires relocating BMS students to the old Christiansburg Middle School; and

WHEREAS, Building modifications, mobile units, equipment and other changes are required to address this transition; and

WHEREAS, Surplus bond funds previously allocated to the Eastern Montgomery and Prices Fork Elementary School projects total approximately \$10 million; and

WHEREAS, On April 12, 2010, the Board of Supervisors approved a transfer of a portion of the surplus bond funds from the Prices Fork Elementary School project as an advance of the insurance payment for the BHS gym for engineering analysis costs associated with the BHS building; and

WHEREAS, Montgomery County Public Schools ended fiscal year 2010 with approximately \$3.67 million in surplus dollars of which \$1.14 million represents purchase orders and Medicaid reimbursements; and

WHEREAS, Through a letter to the County Administrator dated July 6, 2010, the Superintendent requests up to an additional \$2.5 million of surplus bond funds from the two elementary school projects be appropriated to cover the costs of the transition for a temporary BHS.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia that the Board of Supervisors agrees to allocate up to \$1.5 million in surplus bond funds and \$1 million in surplus school operating budget dollars remaining at FY 10 year end toward the transition costs related to the establishment of a temporary Blacksburg High School, a temporary Blacksburg Middle School, and the relocation of offices and facilities from the old Christiansburg Middle School.

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
James D. Politis	None	John A. Muffo
Mary W. Biggs		
Doug Marrs		
Gary D. Creed		
William H. Brown		
Annette S. Perkins		

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The County Administrator reported on the following:

- Several administrative and school nutrition offices moved into "Building C" of the Montgomery County Government Center last week. These offices were relocated in order to get OCMS ready for use by the Blacksburg Middle School.
- Montgomery County Inmate Litter Clean Up Project: The Sheriff's Office provided a yearly report on the Inmate Litter Clean Up program from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 as follows:

Total Staff Hours	497
Total Inmate Hours	2,485
Total Bags of Litter Collected	2,978
Total Items not Bagged	223
Total Weight Collected	44,320 lbs
Total Tires Collected	394

Other job assignments completed included cutting brush on Enterprise Drive to improve the site visibility; cutting brush to improve visibility for Elliston fire trucks to enter Roanoke Road; and landscaping at the new Elliston Fire Department.

- A Board Retreat is scheduled for Tuesday, August 3, 2010 from 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The purpose of the retreat is to further discuss and achieve consensus on the Board's vision and to set short and long term priorities to achieve the vision. The retreat will be held at the New River Valley Community College at the New River Valley Mall.
- Public Safety Monument: At this time the County Administrator introduced Captain Robbie Hall of the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office to present a proposed plan to construct a public safety monument outside the Montgomery County Courthouse on the corner of East Main and South Franklin Street.

Captain Hall reported a group of past and present law enforcement officers formed a committee to plan the construction of a permanent public safety monument to honor those who have lost their lives in the line of duty. Deputy Eric Snow with the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office came up with the design for a black granite monument with three sides representing police, fire and rescue. Three benches would be facing each side with corresponding lights of red, white, and blue aimed toward the sky. Captain Hall stated the committee is in the early planning stages and would like to receive the Board of Supervisors' permission to place it on the lawn of the Courthouse. There are plans to renovate the Courthouse for a Public Safety Building, making it a perfect place for a memorial.

The monument may cost up to \$25,000 and the committee will be seeking donations and discussing ways to hold fundraisers. At this time they have not asked the Board of Supervisors for funding.

Captain Hall asked the Board for permission to proceed with this project.

Board members stated they support the efforts to construct a memorial to honor those who have fallen in the line of duty.

R-FY-11-10 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS TO CONSTRUCT A MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY MEMORIAL MONUMENT

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by Doug Marrs and carried unanimously,

WHEREAS, A group of past and present Montgomery County law enforcement officers is working to establish a permanent public safety memorial monument; and

WHEREAS, The public safety memorial monument would recognize local law enforcement officers, firefighters and rescue workers who have died in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, Representatives of local Fire and Rescue will be recruited to participate in this group effort to achieve tax exempt status and raise funds to cover the costs of constructing and maintaining the public safety memorial monument.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Montgomery, Virginia that the Board of Supervisors hereby supports the efforts to construct a public safety memorial monument and supports the placement of the monument on the current Montgomery County Courthouse property located at the corner of East Main Street and S. Franklin Street, which is the future site of the Montgomery County Public Safety Building after the new courthouse is constructed.

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Mary W. Biggs	None	John A. Muffo
Doug Marrs		
Gary D. Creed		
William H. Brown		
James D. Politis		
Annette S. Perkins		

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORT

Supervisor Brown reported that he, along with Supervisor Politis, attended the initial meeting of the Riner Rescue Squad Advisory Committee. He commented that he was very impressed with the quality of people serving on the committee and feels good about proceeding with the process of establishing Riner Rescue Squad as an independent station.

Supervisor Brown attended the Fire & Rescue Commission meeting where Captain Hall made a presentation on the public safety memorial. The Fire & Rescue Commission supports the construction and placement of a monument on the Courthouse lawn.

Supervisor Marrs asked that a request be sent to the Sheriff's Office to see if the Inmate Litter Clean Up crew can clean up along Rt. 8 (Riner Road) to the Floyd County line. Captain Hall, who was present, replied that they will be able to pick up litter only on certain sections of this road due to some areas being dangerous to the inmates and to the deputies overseeing the cleanup.

Chair Perkins also requested litter clean up along the 460 Bypass. Captain Hall replied that the 460 bypass is the responsibility of the Virginia Department of Transportation as it is considered a primary road. The Inmate Litter Clean Up program was put in place to clean secondary roads. Captain Hall reported that VDOT hired a company called ICA to take care of the snow removal and litter removal along the 460 bypass and the contract with ICA was terminated due to problems with snow removal last winter.

Chair Perkins reminded Board members that the County Employee Service Award Luncheon is Friday, August 6, 2010.

New River Land Trust- Conservation Easement – John Eustis, Executive Director for the New River Land Trust, contacted the County reporting that Mrs. Grubbs has decided not to move forward in placing her property in Catawba into a conservation easement. Mr. Eustis reported the federal funding for this project is available for other property owners who desire to place their land in a conservation easement. If no other property is identified then the money is to be returned. If any Board members know of any property owners who may be considering placing their property into a conservation easement, please let Mr. Eustis know.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by William H. Brown, seconded by James D. Politis and carried unanimously, the Board adjourned to Monday, August 23, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. for a special joint meeting with the Montgomery County School Board.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

APPROVED: _____	ATTEST: _____
Annette S. Perkins Chair, Board of Supervisors	F. Craig Meadows County Administrator